

III. REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 62-97 are pending in the application. Claims 62, 81, and 89 are independent.

Applicants have added new Claims 62-97 to afford themselves a scope of protection commensurate with the disclosure. The new claims are fully supported in the specification and drawings, and are believed to be allowable for the reasons to be developed below.

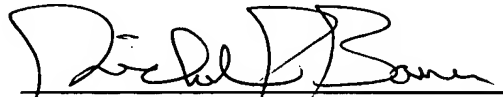
The specification has been amended to correct minor informalities noted therein. No new matter has been added. Attached are copies of the Substitute Specification as well as a copy of the Marked Up original specification showing changes.

Cancelled Claims 1-26 were rejected under 35 USC 101 as being unpatentable over the Claims 1-25 of U.S. Patent No. 6,717,118, for the reasons discussed on page two of the March 2, 2005 Office Action. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection on the ground that pending claims do not recite the same invention as Claims 1-25 of the '118 Patent.

In view of the above, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, and a Notice thereof is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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